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A Quarterly Newsletter for Teachers and Students Focusing on Recent Events and Developments in the EMIT Pathway

Office of Career and Technical Preparation

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Welcome to the December issue of the EMIT Newsletter. published by the Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Office of Career and Technical Preparation. Its purpose is to apprise our community of scholarship and apprenticeship opportunities that may require advanced planning and a timely response.

Past issues of this Newsletter may be viewed at:

http://www.michigan.gov/mdcd/0,1607 ,7-122-1680 2629 2724-101172--.00.html. You are encouraged to review the information contained herein and pass it along to a colleague to whom it may be useful. Any ideas and/or suggestions should be addressed to Patricia Talbott-Dills, (517) 373-0359 or talbottdillsn@michigan.gov.

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Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship programs are generally offered for postsecondary students. The first step (and a potential stumbling block) for an aspiring apprentice is TO BECOME EMPLOYED by an employer who is engaged in the craft in which the student is interested. It is possible to increase ones desirability to a prospective employer by already having taken appropriate courses that would preclude the necessity of the employer paying those cost.

Other apprenticeship programs are classified as School-To-Apprenticeships (STRA). These programs enable students to achieve apprenticeship entrance competencies and advanced standing while achieving their formal educational requirements. Students are guided into part-time (cooperative) employment or preparatory in-school training as registered, part-time apprentices leading to an accepted journey person level as an occupational goal, including transition to a full-time registered apprenticeship upon completion of the formal vocational/technical program.

Locating the best options will require diligence and should be started well before your students expect to graduate. For more information about STRA programs, www.openop.com/gi/selection.asp.

At the 21st Annual Michigan Apprenticeship and Training Conference held in Lansing, the EMIT pathway consultant spoke with several apprenticeship organizations who indicated that they are accepting applications from students for openings within their programs. These organizations are listed below and should be contacted by your 2006 graduating students as soon as possible. They will want to request wage sheets, a list of contractors in the area, a tool list, and testing sites.

Lansing Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and **Training Committee**

5708 Cornerstone Drive #M102 Lansing, MI 48901-7210 517-483-9688

Journeyman & Apprentice Training Fund, Inc. (Operating Engineer-Heavy Construction Equipment)

275 East Highland Road Howell, MI 48843 517-546-9610

Michigan Carpenters Apprenticeship & Training **Program**

Local #706 Local Union #100 140 N. 64th Ave. 6459 Pierson Road Coopersville, MI 49404 Flushing, MI 48433 888-311-6245 810-487-1234 Local #202 Local #1004 2410 Industrial Street 2310 W. Washtenaw St. Grayling, MI 49738 Lansing, MI 48917

Local #525 Local #1510 3617 Gembrit Circle

231-932-8946

1219 1st Avenue South Kalamazoo, MI 49001 Escanaba, MI 49829 800-655-3907 800-248-1134

517-484-1301

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Local #706 1400 W. Genesee Saginaw, MI 48602 888-683-7706 Toyota Technical Center Human Resources Dept. 4410 Goss Road Ann Arbor, MI 48105 www. Toyota.com/ttc-jobs

Ironworkers Local #340

Training Fund
Dane Bowers, Coordinator
269-962-4477

Electrical Industry Training Center

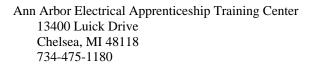
2277 E. 11 Mile Road Warren, MI 48092 586-751-6600

Skilled Trades Apprenticeship Programs

Russ Davis, Skilled Trades Manager 989-686-9530 rwdavis @delta.edu

Michigan Institute of Aeronautics

Willow Run Airport 47884 D. Street Belleville, MI 48111-9912



Apprenticeship Training Schools

http://www.openop.com/apprenticeshipschoolslist.asp

The U. S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration

When assisting your students in locating apprenticeship opportunities, an excellent place to research is the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship Training. http://bat.doleta.gov/bat.cfm This site allows you to search through many opportunities with employers who have registered with the federal government. It allows you to search by: state, county, employer and craft. companies listed are those who believe in the concept of apprenticeship programs but may, as a result of the current economy, have stopped hiring altogether or have reduced the benefits provided to their apprentices. By contacting the companies listed, students will be able to better assess the possibility of apprenticeship or employment opportunities Available crafts literally run the gamut in a given field. from bricklayer to toolmaker; and from electrical construction to welding.

Another site that may be helpful is: www.miconstructioncareers.org/opportunities.html

Please take a minute to view these sites to see what they have available.

Community Colleges

In addition, many community colleges offer credit for students enrolled in apprenticeship programs. These credits may then be used toward an Associates or other degrees and/or certificates.

A good example of what one community college offers may be viewed at:

http://www.macomb.edu/academics/careerteched/skilledtrades/degreecert.asp

A complete list of Community Colleges that offer apprenticeship training may be found at:

http://www.meata.org/colleges.html

Scholarship Opportunities

The logical best place for a student to begin the search for scholarship opportunities is with their school guidance counselor. Career and Technical Education students may find these sites helpful:

www.constructmyfuture.com

http://mccte.edu/ct/cps/2004aw.asp

http://www.walmartfacts.com/wal-mart-scholarship.aspx

www.mea.org/design.cfm?p=4819

Minority students: www.uncf.org/

www.blackexcel.org/100minority.htm

www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org/Application.doc

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